correspondent was able to talk to all classes of the people without suspicion.

The correspondent says the three Turco-German objectives are Persia, the Caucasus and Egypt. Regarding the advance of the British toward Bagdad, a prominent Turk is quoted as having said to the correspondent:

"We were very frightened when we heard the British were coming, as our defenses were in bad condition and contained a few old guns. But when spies told us that Gen. Townshend's force was small we took courage and held it in check until reinforcements arrived. Now, thanks to Allah, they will never reach our holy city. Their reinforcements are too late."

Lines Now Are Menaced.

A German interviewed said the in activity of the entente allies in the west had enabled the Germans to menace the lines of communication to India. As a curious instance of the diplomacy of the Germans the corre piomacy of the Germans the correspondent relates the appearance of officers in the streets of Constantinople in civilian clothes when ordinarily they never lay off their uniforms. One German officer explained this fact by saying: "We do not want the Galata bridge to look like Unter den Linden all the time."

all the time all the time."
The correspondent says he saw 200
French prisoners at Konieh, Asia Minor, who were totally neglected. They
had little food, he says, and were dying like flies. The camp is described as
flithy beyond description. The lack of
food was due to a general food scarcity.

Speed Up Turk Farmers.

Germans, says the correspondent, are everywhere speeding up the Turkish farmers. The correspondent talked with many German non-commissione officers who are teaching these farmers and who had come to the train to hear and who had come to the train to hear the latest gossip. The writer also met German commercial men, engineers and military officers at every turn, bent on the task of Germanizing Turkey.

The railways in Turkey are described as good but slow. Everywhere the correspondent saw long trains filled with new railway, telephone and bridge materials and numbers of new locomotives, which were said to be destined for the new line to the Suez canal.

"Certainly," says the correspondent, "the Germans have spurred the Turks to enormous activity along military and industrial lines."

FIRMLY UPHOLDS U.S. MEXICO POLICY

Senator Owen Also Would Submit Question of Making War to the People.

NEW YORK, January 29 .- United States Senator Robert L. Owen of Oklahoma, a democrat, speaking before the Republican Club here today, vigorously upheld the Mexican policy of the Wilson administration, advocated submitting a referendum to the people when the country is threatened with war and proposed a world agreement to boycott any nation seeking territorial conquest He urged, also, that the United States government build up an army of defense by employing the unemployed young men, at a living wage, to become proficient in military training, as well as to develop the roads and other resources of the country.

Opposes Present System. The present system of enlisting re-

cruits in the army, declared Senator Owen, is not effective. "We take any unemployed boy willing

to take \$13 a month and board," he ployed young men at a fixed minimum wage scale and teach them to make a living while teaching them the elements of military training. We have in the United States a million young men who, if the government would promise to instruct them four hours a day, would gladly join the colors and would form a most valuable army in case of need."

There are 2,000,000 miles of roads to "We ought to take our unem-

doing that work.

Reference to Mexico. Referring to Mexico, Senator Owen

"All South American diplomats has been urging the authorities not to set the precedent of intervention. With all North and South America gathered to-

North and South America gathered togather under the ideal to preserve
American soil we may well pause before invading a weak neighbor."

While expending large sums for preparedness, Senator Owen believed the
United States should make a reasonable appropriation for advancing the
cause of world peace by promoting the
boycott idea where greed for territory
is the avowed purpose of a nation.

United States Judge Henry D. Clayton of Alabama, who followed Senator
Owen, declared: Owen, declared:

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"You can discuss peace with a neighbor who has a double-barreled shotgun on a little higher plane if he knows you have one at your house, too. The greatest degree of preparedness can be attained by building up a vigorous America."

TAU BETA PI SOCIETY **ELECTS ITS OFFICERS**

Dr. S. W. Stratton Named as Presi dent-Committee to Plan for Annual Dinner.

A meeting of the local Tau Beta Pi Society, an honorary technical fraternity with members from twenty-eight of the leading universities of the country, was held last night at the Raleigh Hotel. Officers were elected and installed, as follows: Dr. S. W. Stratton, president; G. P. Robinson, vice president; H. J. Jackson, secretary; F. R. Squair, treasurer, and C. S. Grover, edtor of the society's magazine, the Bent Twenty-four members were present. There are at present about ninety members in the Washington association. which recently has been granted

charter by the executive council. Following the regular business befor meeting a committee was appoint-parrange for the annual dinner to seld at the University Club early

in March.

Brief addresses were made by C. A. Heliman, who described a recent visit of the local association to the naval observatory; H. J. Jackson, who related certain humorous incidents of a trip to the San Francisco exposition, and G. W. Atkinson, who reported on the sixteenth annual convention of the society, held last fall in San Francisco.

ALLIES WILL SPEED UP MAKING OF MUNITIONS

PARIS, January 29 .- A commission consisting of David Lloyd George, minister of munitions; Andrew Bonar Law, secretary for the colonies; Gen. Sir William Robertson, Gen. du Cane, Ian Mc. Pherson and Col. Arthur Lee, arrived here from London last night to discuss with Albert Thomas, under secretary of war, and his associate experts the subject of speeding up the production of munitions and closer co-operation be-

CHAIN OF GOLD FOR E. F. COLLADAY

mer Chairman of Membership Committee.

Board of Trade Honors For-

BANQUET IN HIS HONOR AT HOTEL CONTINENTAL

Odell Smith Has Vision of Wonderful Washington 100 Years Hence. Other Speakers Laud Guest.

Dreams of the great Washington o he future mingled with ardent tributes of love to the city of today, at the linner given in honor of Edward F. Colladay, chairman of the 1915 mem bership committee of the Board of Frade, by the 1916 committee, at the Continental Hotel, last night. Tribute to Mr. Colladoy was paid by Presi dent E. C. Brandenburg, Robert N. Harper, Theodore W. Noyes, J. Harry Cunningham, Chris Gockeler, Charles F. Crane and Odell S. Smith. "The greater Washington is coming

leclared Mr. Smith. Mr. Smith described his dream of the great city of Washington which will be

Washington in 2016.

"Washington is a topic that never grows old," he said. "It does not yet appear what it shall be, our city of Washington, when he founded the city, Hospital by Henry E. Davis, 1931 19th had no idea that in 1916 there would be ny such city here as is today. So, too, believe none of us can picture what his city will be in 2016.

"For the greater Washington is coming! And it will come because we have worked today, and because all the mer of the past have worked-worked and loved as we work and love. There will e setbacks, but it is coming."

The question of representation for the District was sounded in the open-ng remarks of President Brandenburg, who acted as toastmaster.

"Representation of the District in Congress is bound to come." he said.

"On the Board of Trade will rest the burden. Only by constantly knocking at the doors of Congress will we succeed."

Chain Given Colladay.

At 10:30 o'clock a silent tribute to he memory of the late William H

Singleton. The "big event" of the night fol owed-the presentation to Mr. Colladay of a gold watch chain and his response. As chairman of the 1915 mem-pership committee, Mr. Colladay added a total of 360 members to the rolls of the Board of Trade.

the Board of Trade.

"The next ten years will see the greatest changes in the District of Columbia that have occurred since its foundation." Mr. Colladay prophesied. In the course of his address he touched briefly upon the hope and right of the citizens of Washington to vote for the President and senators and representatives, of the great work of the fiscal committee for the city and people of Washington, of the work and future of the Board of Trade, and glanced at the present school situation, as precipitated by the recommendations of the Distirct Commissioners.

Hope for Franchise.

Mr Colladay expressed the belief that constitutional amendment giving the in the United States a million young men who, if the government would promise to instruct them four hours a day, would gladly join the colors and would form a most valuable army in case of need."

There are 2,000,000 miles of roads to be built, he said, and these young men could be employed half their time in ground a mendament giving the manner giving the given given given give the manner giving the manner giving the manner giving the manner giving the given give

"The further we get to arousing all good men in the city to active work." he said, "just so much sooner can the desired results be obtained."
Mr. Colladay declared his friendship for the Commissioners, and strongly upheld their sincerity in their recommendations for a new status of the board of education and the local school system in general.

estem in general.
"If the Commissioners do nothing mor to awaken every man in the Dis-to the fact that he has something to to for Washington the Commissioners will have done good," Mr. Colladay said.

Messrs. Harper and Noyes Speak. Mr. Harper paid tribute to the hone

Mr. Noyes, following Mr. Harper, voiced urther expressions of appreciation of Mr. colladay, who, Mr. Noves declared, "has dded so conspicuously to the numbers and prestige of the Board of Trade.

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"Mr. Colladay performed the spectacular feat," Mr. Noyes declared, amid laughter, "of riding three horses bareback—the Board of Trade, the District Commissioners and the Federation of Citizens' Associations. They are all obstinate animals, with strong dispositions to take diverse courses, unless handled by a master hand."

ter hand."

The speaker reviewed the growth of the Board of Trade from the year 1894 to the present day, telling succinctly of the strides made by the civic organization to get in its membership the best and most influential business men of the city. f the city.
In 1894, Mr. Noyes pointed out, Tom

Mr. Colladay, when the membership of the Board of Trade was brought to near-

"The Board of Trade," Mr. Noves said. "The Board of Trade." Mr. Noyes said. "Is thoroughly and conspicuously representative of all Washington. When we were at the Capitol before the fiscal committee we were assailed because some said that the Board of Zade was dominated by the real estate men. "But analysis demonstrates the absolute impossibility of the domination of the Board of Trade by any one group of men or interests. The Board of of men or interests. The Board of Trade stands so completely for the whole community that what is done in this city by the board is done for the community."

Applause for Crane.

Charles F. Crane, chairman of the present membership committee, was nomination of Thomas D. Jones of Chi-

"Attorneys for committee" — the

by E. G. Ballinger. John Gorman contributed funny stories. List of Guests.

Those present included:

E. C. Brandenburg, C. F. Crane, R. N. Harper, Theodore W. Noyes, William T. Galliher, E. F. Colladay, J. Harry Cunningham, Walter H. Klopfer, William D. West, C. J. Gockeler, Cuno H. Rudolph, J. H. Small, A. A. Birney, Frank P. Reeside, Edward E. Clement, Walter A. Brown, John Poole, James F. Oyster, George W. Harris, E. C. Graham, Frank Sebring, William M. Shuster, E. R. Brooks, H. C. Bangs, F. E. Cunningham, Louis C. Wilson, Fred J. White, William A. Rogers, C. H. Pardoe, E. E. Ayre, A. R. Varella, H. F. Allmond, E. E. Ramey, George Plitt, John Cherry, E. W. Huguely, H. E. Claffin, L. A. Dent, Lee Combs, E. K. Staley, L. Perry West, C. B. Asher, L. H. English, C. P. Ravenburg, G. H. Markward, C. B. Lyddane, L. Pierce Boteler, Theodore M. Judd, Paris E. Brengle, H. C. Duffey, Clarance Ahalt, B. A. Mattingly, William E. Burnes, J. S. Dunn, Charles A. Watson, George M. Fisher, Bert V. Wolfe, John R. Ergood, Carroll Smith, D. D. Ransdell, E. H. Maltby, O. R. Evans, M. A. Weller, James Kelly, Elmer Espey, William Clabaugh, C. J. Waters, Odell Smith, George H. Macdonald, John Gorman, E. G. Ballinger, Arthur Pierce, Byron Blodgett, R. L. Conner and James Those present included:

MRS. AGNES R. SULLIVAN INJURED BY MAIL WAGON

man, E. G. Ballinger, Arthur Pierce, Byron Blodgett, R. L. Conner and James

Driver of the Vehicle Detained by Police-Other Street Accidents.

Mrs. Agnes R. Sullivan, wife Michael D. Sullivan, real estate dealer, esiding at 3288 N street northwest, last night about 8:30 o'clock was knocked down by an auto mail delivery wagon at New Hampshire ave nue and Q street and seriously in-Vashington. I believe that George jured. She was taken to Emergency street northwest, who happened to each the scene of the accident shortly after Mrs. Sullivan was hurt. Mr. Sullivan accompanied his wife to the

Edwin C. George, Cherrydale, Va., operator of the mail wagon, was detained by the police to await the result of the injuries Mrs. Sullivan received. He did all he could to assist Mrs. Sullivan after the accident happened and accompanied her to the hospital, where he was arrested by Detective James Springmann. The detective went with him over his mail ective James Springmann. The de-ective went with him- over his mail oute and later took him to head-

Chauffeur Fails to See Her.

Mrs. Sullivan, who was on her way o visit friends, had alighted from her usband's automobile shortly before the delivery wagon appeared, and was crossing the street when she was knocked down. The chauffeur said he lid not see Mrs. Sullivan until she stepped in front of his wagon.

As quickly as he realized she had been injured, George ran up the street calling for help, and Mr. Sullivan, who heard his cries, returned and found his wife on the street bleeding from severe scalp wounds and suffering intense pain from other injuries.

Mr. Davis appeared and Mrs. Sullivan was hurried to the hospital. It was suggested at the institution that was suggested at the institution that a wheel of the vehicle probably passed over Mrs. Sullivan and that she may have suffered internal injuries.

Other Accidents Reported.

Two automobiles yesterday afternoon vers damaged as a result of a collision at Vermont avenue and K street. One vas operated by George Davis, 2218 11th street northwest, for H. R. Burton and the other by A. C. P. Shoemaker,

Mamie Nelson, colored, 1119 20t

ood and benefit of Washington and its itizens.

"The further we get to arousing all was struck by an automobile and damond men in the city to active work," aged to the amount of \$25. The carriage was in front of its owner's premises when damaged, and the owner of the automobile.

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Two Persons Injured.

Joseph B. Junghans, thirty years old 3725 Georgia avenue, was knocked by an automobile last night while crossing at Mount Vernon place and 7th street and injured about the head. He was taken to Homeopathic

Hospital.

John Hayes, sixty-two years old, of Central Union Mission, last night was knocked down by an automobile while crossing the street near Thomas Circle. Massachusetts avenue and 14th street. He was taken to Homeopathic Hospital and treated for a badly lacerated wound of the scalp and other injuries.

FIGHT UPON BRANDEIS PLANNED BY SENATORS

Many of His First Opponents "Cool Off"-Subcommittee to Consider Nomination.

In 1894, Mr. Noyes pointed out, Tom Smith was chairman of the membership committee, and that year the membership of the board was increased from 200 to 400 members. It remained at this figure until 1898, when Mr. Noyes became president. That year saw the membership increased from 400 to about 700.

The year 1912, with Mr. Gockler as chairman of the membership committee, saw further increase followed by advance a step toward action by the Senate tomorrow, when it probably will be referred to a subcommittee of the Senate judiciary committee for consideration and report to the full committee.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Goddard Observe Their Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Goddard, life-serving chairman of the judiciary of the judiciar The acting chairman of the judiciary committee, Senator Overman of North Carolina, announced last night that committee he would appoint a subcommittee of five to consider the nomina-

January 28, 1851, and Friday night tion when the full committee meets tomorrow morning.

According to custom, hearings will be held by the subcommittee, but whether they will be public has not been announced. It is highly improbable, however, that the hearings will be public. ever, that the hearings will be public since it is not the practice to hold pub-lic hearings on nominations.

Secret Hearings Held.

The hearings before the Senate bank ing and currency committee on the given an evation when he arose to add his word of tribute for Mr. Colladay. Tribute to the 1916 committee was also given by J. Harry Cunningham, secretary of the board, and others.

Particularly novel were the menu cards, in the form of an indictment of Mr. Colladay "in the supreme court of the Board of Trade, case of membership committee agt. Edward F. Colladay, filed January 29, 1916, Richard L. Conner, clerk."

nomination of Thomas D. Jones of Chicago to be member of the federal reserve board, which was finally withdrawn after strong opposition had made itself felt, were behind closed doors, but the Senate eventually made the hearings public in printed form.

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time.
While the first surprise over the appointment of Mr. Brandels had subsided by last night, and while some of the democrats in the Senate who committee on arrangements—consisted of Charles J. Waters, chairman; Odell S. Smith and George H. Macdonald.
Attractive musical numbers were given during the evening by James Toung, accompanied by Byron Blodgett, and by William Clabsugh, accompanied to fight the nomination to the end.

SOCIETY FOLK SEE SOME FINE RIDING

Gather in Force for Hunt Club **Event at Fort** Myer.

GET FREQUENT THRILLS IN JUMPING CONTESTS

Miss Edythe Howard Has Two Hard Falls From the "Duke of

Spectacular and skillful riding contributed by some of the stellar perof Washington's horsy se and Fort Myer troopers entertained a big gathering of society folk at the Riding and Hunt Club of Washington last night

From saddle canters to jumping feats and musical drills to bareback riding the program provided an exhibition of horsemanship rivaling any previous entertainment given by the club.

The balcony encircling the arena wa packed with members of the club and guests, who were given frequent when the jumping contest was staged. Miss Edythe Howard, riding Duke of Norfolk, in this class, got two hard falls at the first hurdle, but pluck ily remounted each time, and would have made a third attempt but for the interference of the judges.

Mrs. P. L. Thurber, wife of Lieut

Thurber of Fort Myer, captured the blue ribbon in this event. She took her mount, Victor, twice over the course and made practically a perfect

Another representative of Fort Myer, Capt. C. S. Haight, on Obey, got within the ribbons in the jumping contest, winning third place. Miss Hilda Ramsden Sykes' horse, Toronto, ridden by Jack Riley, was second, and Brown Cap, ridden by Robert H. Chapman, fourth

Ruth Donaldson on Primose and Miss Helen McLanahan on Denny.

A musical ride was the second number, and it proved to be one of the most interesting features of the program. Thirty-five members of the club participated, with Prof. A. Burkard commanding. The riders were Miss Ruth Anderson, Mrs. J. Breckinridge Bayne, Mrs. Delos A. Blodgett, Mrs. W. Sinclair Bowen, Miss Frances Carpenter, Miss Margaret Devereux, Miss Ruth Donaldson, Miss Anna Hamlin, Miss Janet Harlan, Miss Ruth Hitchcock, Miss Edythe Howard, Miss Margaret Howard, Miss Ethel MacMurray, Miss Gerry Morgan, Miss Myra Morgan, Miss Adeline Oxnard, Miss Blanchard Scott, Miss Elizabeth Scriven. Miss Gretchen Adeline Oxnard, Miss Blanchard Scott, Miss Elizabeth Scriven, Miss Gretchen Wahl, Dr. J. Breckinridge Bayne, Julian T. Bishop, Ralph Coffin, Master James Devereux, Master Joseph Devereux, Harry Dingley, John O. Evans, Lieut. J. N. Greely, Arthur J. Hepburn, jr.; Lieut. D. Le Breton, Thomas P. Morgan, Jr.; Ralph Ragan, George Oakley Totten, jr.; Walter R. Tuckerman and Richard K. Tyler.

Troopers Give Cossack Drill. A squad of cavalrymen from Troop K

5th Cavalry, commanded by Lieut Homer M. Greninger, gave a Cossack drill and exhibition of rough riding that also furnished plenty of "thrills. They were followed by tandem riders Anderson, Miss Frances Carpenoeth Scriven, Miss Elizabeth Bryan and

ohn O. Evans. George Oakley Totten, jr., and Miss George Oakley Totten, jr., and Miss Helen Buchanan contributed a novel number in a double tandem, each of the riders driving two horses in single file in front of them.

The comic number of the program was a game called "musical chairs," in which thirteen riders rode around a circle of twelve chairs. When the band would stop playing the riders would

would stop playing the riders would hastily dismount and occupy the chairs, with always one rider left without a

Miss Ruth Anderson Wins

The process of eliminating a rider and a chair each time the music stopped was continued until the only rider left was Miss Ruth Anderson. Lieut J. N. Greely made the second heat show ing in this game, with third and fourth places going to Miss Ruth Donaldson and Master Joseph Devereux.

There were more than a dozen par-ticipants in the jumping contest, the closing number, but Mrs. Thurber was the only rider to take four hurdles without knocking down or tipping a bar. In addition to winning the blue ribbon, she was awarded a silver lov-

ribbon, she was awarded a silver loving cup.

Melvin C. Hazen, director of the National Capital horse show, and John O.
Evans, master of hounds of the club,
officiated as judges. The entertainment
was arranged by a committee consisting of George Oakley Totten; jr., chairman; Mrs. J. Breckinridge Bayne, Mrs.
W. Sinclair Bowen, John O. Evans,
Capt. William Mitchell and Melvin C.
Hazen.

bia, informally celebrated their sixtyfifth wedding anniversary Friday night in their apartment at the Madrid, 18th street and Kalorama road. The couple were married in this city

number of their friends called at the apartment and extended their congratulations. Their daughter, Miss Mary Lee Goddard, and son, Goldsborough Goddard, were also present. The parlor of the apartment was secorated with many bouquets and decorated with many bouquets and baskets of flowers, while the couple were also the recipients of many presents. A cake was presented to them by the sisters of Georgetown Convent, Mrs. Goddard being the honorary president of its alumnae association.

Mr. Goddard, who was born in the District of Columbia, has been a reader of The Star all his life, having been one of the original subscribers.

MINES ARE ANCHORED IN GULF OF GASCONY

PARIS, January 29.—Spanish ships arriving at Vigo, Spain, according to dispatch from that city to the Havas Agency, report encountering mines anchored in the gulf of Gascony, far from French territorial waters. Two Span-ish ships were recently sunk by these mines, which, it is asserted, must have been placed by vessels carrying neu-tral flags.

On Buller, a retired tobacco manu-facturer of St. Louis, it was announced today by Dr. John L. Boemer, president of the college, a Presbyterian school for girls.

Congressman Gets Stolen Race Horse Out of Pawn

It developed in the House yesterday that Representative van Dyke of Minnesota is the first and only congressman to be asked to get a horse out of pawn. The Minnesota man received a letter from a prominent. constituent of his city, stating that a colored man, who had been arrested here for murder committed in Florida, had shipped a stolen race horse to this city, and that it was "in hock" for express charges. Mr. van Dyke investigated and found that the horse had won 204 cash prizes out of 207 races. He paid the express charges, got the horse, and then sold it for the owner to Special Policeman Haynes of this city.

EARLY ACTION DUE ON DISTRICT BILLS

to Turn Out Large Batch This Week.

COMMISSIONERS IN LONG CONFERENCE AT CAPITOL

No Fundamental Changes in Amend ments Suggested by Vinson Subcommittee

The machinery of the House District committee now has been geared to speed where the mill is likely to turn out a large and important batch of bills this week-and the largest por tion of this grist, when it is ground Jack Riley, was second, and Brown Cap, ridden by Robert H. Chapman, fourth.

Saddle Class for Children.

The program opened with a saddle class for children, the judges awarding the blue to Col. Robert M. Thompson's the blue to Col. Robert M. Thompson's King Arthur, which was ridden by Miss Myra Morgan. Miss Gerry Morgan, on Winnie, was awarded the red, while third and fourth places went to Miss Rule to be a section of the program of legislation proposed to Congress by the Commissioners. There are more than thirty of those bills, and the long conference held yesterday between the Commissioners and the members of the Vinson subcommitted was made to keep the navy down.

No one, said the people have always felt that on a strong navy would fall the duty of establishing a first line of defense. In the early days, he said, the people had a dread of a large standing army, and at the Continental Congress efforts were made to restrict the size of the members of the Miss placed about sixteen of them in fine position for early action. The Commissioners of the militia recognized the members of the missioners returned to the District Ruth Donaldson on Primose and Miss Helen McLanahan on Denny.

so missioners returned to the District building with suggestions for amendments on some of the bills that were discussed, but no suggested amendment, it was stated, embraces any fundamental change.

The Commissioners conference did not cover the much discussed bill to change the present school administration, nor the bill giving the Commissioners power to appoint Public Library employes. The judiciary subcommittee, headed by Repiresentative Vinson, does not have the section matter, and the bill affecting the Public Library was laid aside at the company with the militiamen." cover the much discussed bill to change the present school administration, nor the bill giving the Commissioners power to appoint Public Library employes. The judiciary subcommittee, headed by Representative Vinson, does not have the school matter, and the bill affecting the Public Library was laid aside at the conference of yesterday, so that a hearing on that particular subject might be held Tuesday morning, when Theodore W. Noyes, president of the board of trustees of the Public Library, and one of the Commissioners will be present. It frequently is asserted around the House

in an unusually well executed drill, the participants being Mrs. W. Sinclair Bowen, Thomas P. Morgan, jr., Miss This is a part of the Commissioners' Edythe Howard, Ralph Coffin, Miss program of legislation, and received program of legislation, and received many compliments from members of the committee yesterday after the conthe committee yesterday after the conference had closed. It is a subject which has engaged the studies and attention of Asa Phillips, superintendent of sewers, for years past, and has received the indorsement of engineer commissioners as well as officials of the state of Maryland. In a nutshell, it is proposed to hook up the sewer system of the District with a proposed sewer system along the Rock Creek valley and other stream beds over in Maryland, so that the Maryland drainage system will be in conjunction with that of Washington. This will prevent Maryland from dumping sewage into Rock Creek and spoiling that stream.

tream. The bills providing for changes in the cials, discussed yesterday, are likely to receive favorable action. The of to receive favorable action. The of fices affected are the recorder of deeds register of wills, board of children's guardians, board of charities and annual and other positions of the Industrial Home School.

Bridge Bills Taken Up.

The Commissioners also took up yes terday the bill to transfer control of the Aqueduct and Highway bridges to the Commissioners. At present the jur isdiction is divided. The War Depart. ment has the piers of the Aqueduct ment has the piers of the Aqueduct bridge and the Commissioners have the top, to use an expression of one of the Commissioners. Some of the members of the subcommittee have said they believed the bridges ought to be either completely under the Commissioners or completely under the War Department. The proposed changes which will permit the erection of a city refuse disposal plant, and the bill to allow the District to do its own street cleaning disposal plant, and the bill to allow the District to do its own street cleaning work in case a contractor defaults, received consideration, the committee listening with great interest to what was said about these measures.

The committee also considered the old bill "to require the recital of the real consideration in deeds of property" which has been a bone of contention between some of the real estate men and officials of the District building.

between some of the real estate men and officials of the District building. It requires that in every real estate deed there shall be stated the exact sum of money involved in the transac-tion, and will enable assessors to get an accurate line of values.

Others Likely to Be Approved. Other bills on which action of favor

thle character may be expected in clude the following: To regulate the taking of cash retent

on contracts for work for the District government, specifying a sum of money that must be put up for assurance of good work.

To authorize the Secretary of the Ir To authorize the Secretary of the interior to transfer land for a public highway known as Nichols avenue.

To authorize the commitment of convicts to the reformatory whenever deemed advisable instead of to penitentiaries.

To authorize the Commissioners to grant leave of absence with pay to per diem employes.

diem employes.

To authorize the Commissioners to make a sale of the Industrial Home School grounds and to purchase another

College Gets Second Gift of \$100,000 not now enough men in the country—that ST. CHARLES, Mo., January 29 .- A is practical men-to help us out. There is to Lindenwood College here by James there never will be."

NEED OF OFFICERS IN NAVY MAY BE ME

Fifty Per Cent Increase in Annapolis Cadetships Now Seems Assured.

OUTLOOK REVEALED TO NAVAL MILITIA BODY

Secretary Praises Work of Citizen

Branch of Service-Representative Padgett Speaks. Probabilities of a 50 per cent increase the number of cadetships in the

Inited States Naval Academy at Annapolis were put in a very favorable light when Representative Padgett, chairman of the House committee on House Committee Is Expected | naval affairs, told those present at the banquet of the Naval Militia Association of the United States that just before he came there Speaker Clark had informed him that he would be recognized on Monday for the passage of the bill providing for the increase. As Representative Padgett sat down Senator Page of the Senate committee on naval affairs said that he could give assurance that the bill would have easy sailing in the Senate. Representative Padgett had already spoken, but following the remarks of Rear Admiral Blue, chief of the bureau of navigation, in which the latter told of the urgen need of officers, he again arose and told of his conference with the speaker.

Navy Never Held Down.

Although there have been efforts from the beginning of the nation to restrict the size of the army, Secretary Daniels declared that there never has been any attempt to hold down the navy, for, he said, the people have always felt that

Congratulates Officers.

He congratulated the officers upo the showing made during the past year aboard the battleships in their annual

commissioners will be present. It frequently is asserted around the House that the bill to change the school administration and centralize control of the schools in the Commissioners' hands will receive an adverse report from the subcommittee which has it in charge, and if these predictions are correct the coming District committee meeting. Tuesday will not be productive of a favorable report on that measure.

Bills Regarded Favorably.

One bill which is likely to have early favorable action following the conference of yesterday is the all-important measure providing for co-operation with neighboring Maryland communities to prevent pollution of streams. of its ships to the prow of the enemy's The men behind the guns are the mein front of the enemy's guns. The me of the navy who offer their lives and bodies in time of war will never be-tray the confidence of the American people.

Lauds Personnel of Navy.

"The navy no longer is composed 'tars' or wharfrats. In the navy today you will find the best young men from the best homes of all the states-from the cities and from the farms."

The naval militia he praised highly He said it was doing an important work, part of which consisted of remaining at home and inspiring a re spect for the navy from the folks at He condemned those who tried to be-

He condemned those who tried to belittle the navy in an effort to argue for a building program, but, he said, "I believe in an increase in the navy for the navy's sake, and do not believe in libeling it to gain our ends."

The naval militia, he said, is a body capable and competent to carry to the American people the truth about the navy, and inspire that confidence that will form the basis of intelligent judgment on the part of the people.

Telling of the great improvement of

Naval Militia Improvement.

the naval militia. Rear Admirol Rive explained what the department was trying to do for this branch of the service. The plan to assign battleships to . the naval militia organization to the naval militia organizations along the coasts, he said, would give the officers and men much valuable training on ships of the character on which they would serve in time of war.

"If the entire navy be commissioned tomorrow," he said, "the best that could be done would be to place the officers of the regular service on the best fighting ships, and then place the officers of the naval militia on the ships that were left, filling up with green that were left, filling up with green than the officers are being turned out for it. It will be years before we can catch up with the navy as it is now building."

Need of Marine Companies.

Mai. Gen. George Barnett, command ant of the Marine Corps, told of the need of marine companies of militia. and urged that more of the states take up the question of developing this branch of the service. He said that he

branch of the service. He said that he hoped during the next year to see many more companies added to the naval militia.

Representative Britten of Illinois, Capt. Riley, formerly United States Army, now of the Illinois National Guard; Commander A. B. Fry, naval militia, New York, and Capt. Frederick B. Bassett, U. S. N., also spoke. Capt. E. A. Evers, naval militia of Chicago, president of the association, was toastmaster at the banquet, which concluded the annual convention, which has been in session here since Friday morning. Friday morning.

Difficulties Facing Navy. Difficulties facing the navy in regard

personnel for the ships were outlined by Rear Admiral Blue at the closing siness session of the convention yes terday afternoon. "You know," he said, "that there are

second gift of \$100,000 has been given not enough men in the naval militia, and there never will be."

Telling of the great demands on the naval service for officers and men to man the ships of the actvic fleet, Rear Admiral Blue said that it was with

not many had enlisted in this service, it had made the active service more attractive. The percentage of re-enlistments since the bill went into effect, he said, had increased to 95 per cent. He said that the law did have disadvantages for those ex-enlisted men who could not afford to leave their work to take the regular training cruises, and said that an amendment would be asked providing larger pay for the men so as to make it attractive for them to take the training cruises. He said that he didn't want to make the reserve corps too attractive at first.

the reserve corps too attractive at first but now that it had had a good effec-on the naval service, he thought that i hould be made more attractive. There was considerable dis There was considerable discussion following Admiral Blue's explanation of his proposed bill, the naval militia officers seeming to fear that they could not receive the same consideration when they went off the active list as was provided for officers in the merchant marine.

Gives Pointers on Service.

Commander Frederic B. Bassett, jr. . S. N., the officer in charge of the division of naval militia affairs, gave the naval militia officers some pointers for the improvement of the service. He not touch at a British port, are liable said that he was convinced that the question of attendance was one of the personality of the officers. If the officer was energetic and resourceful and kept new drills before the men the attendance would be large.

He told of suggestions that naval militia officers should not be required to pass an examination in astronomical navigation, but asserted that the de-

to pass an examination in astronomical navigation, but asserted that the department had set the scope of the examinations and it would not be wise at this time to let the bars down any further.

The only thorn in the side of the Navy Department at this time, he said, was the failure of naval militia organizations.

zations to answer communications rom the department and failure o read orders that have been sent out. He said that it was necessary to write our or five letters to get an answer

He told of an instance of an officer He told of an instance of an officer writing to the department suggesting that some plan of organization should be mapped out for the naval militia and that the uniforms should be standardized. The letter, he said, came after he had been working on the problem for a year, and the orders covering it had been in the hands of the militia officer for some months. officer for some months. He said that his office was much dis-

He said that his office was much discouraged when it was working hard to get ships for the naval militia, and received such remarks as were made yesterday by Commander Hill of the Connecticut militia, that the monitor Amphitrite "would be as useful to that organization as a toothbrush to the Statue of Liberty."

The association went on record as in favor of a militia pay bill.

Officers Are Elected.

The election of officers resulted as ollows: President, Capt. Edward A. Evers, Illinois Naval Militia; vice president, Commander W. C. Bliss, Rhode The censor said that this article of Island Naval Militia; secretary, Lieut. The Hague convention would be ob-Albert J. Merritt, Connecticut Naval

Albert J. Merritt, Connecticut Naval Militia; treasurer, Lieut. W. G. Hodgson, New Jersey Naval Militia; naval militia general board, Capt. Evers, chairman; Commodore James F. Parker, Massachusetts Naval Militia; Commander A. B. Fry, New York Naval Militia; Commander Ebenezer Hill, jr., Connecticut Naval Militia, and Commander G. T. Stephenson, Michigan Naval Militia. Naval Militia.

PLANS NAVAL RESERVES

delegates yesterday made a tour of

Movement to Develop Corps in Chicago Approved by Secretary Daniels.

CHICAGO, January 29 .- In response o a message from residents of Chicago and Lake Forest regarding plans for development of the Naval Reserve Corps in conjunction with national preparedness for defense, Josephus attitude that the stoppage of all trade Daniels, Secretary of the Navy, today between Germany and other countries telegraphed his approval of the move-

ment. ment.
Secretary Daniels' message said that a bill had been introduced in the Senate for the development of the naval reserve embodying the establishment of central training camps where business men and college and high school students may receive training which would fit them for service. cretary Daniels' message said that

Outcome of Conference.

The message to the Secretary was the outcome of conferences participated in by residents of Lake Forest and Chicao, which included such men as Harold McCormick, J. Ogden Armour and C. H. Fitzhugh. William M. Lewis, mayor of Lake Forest, said tonight that the plan of those interested included the forming of two camps for the training of men, such as the camp at Fort Sheridan, where recently business men of Chicago were given military instruction.

Many Civilians Interested.

Mr. Lewis said it was believed that beween 8,000 and 9,000 civilians would submarine. The steamer was taken ake part in the naval reserve plan when southward, probably to Swinemuende. the time for instruction arrived. It was proposed, he said, to have two camps, one business men and the other for colege and high school students. Naval of-

U. S. MINISTER, ON SHIP, PROTESTS MAIL SEIZURE financial and commercial commission to Central America, appointed by Secretary McAdoo as the United States

NEW YORK, January 29 .- An inormal protest against the seizure of mail from the Holland-America line steamship Rotterdam by British auhorities in the Downs was filed with gates who attended the congress in the boarding officers by Dr. Henry Van Dyke, United States minister to the Netherlands, who was a passenger tween the United States and Central aboard the steamer, he announced upon the arrival of the vessel here tonight.

All Mail Aboard Seized.

Heretofore the British' have been seizing all mail from Germany and Austria, and a portion of that from seutral countries, but all the mail on poard the Rotterdam was taken, inluding 104 bags from Holland and twenty-two from Switzerland. There were in all 708 bags. All mail, including that from neutral countries, was removed also from the Holland-American liner Noordam, which arrived here arlier in the day.
Dr. Van Dyke stated that his protest was informal, as the seizure took place outside his diplomatic jurisdiction.

Handed Card to Officer.

"I handed my card to the boarding officer in charge," he said, "with my verbal protest, and requested that he ommunicate the same to his commandng officer." Dr. Van Dyke said that he had left

some difficulty that men were being found for the naval militia training ships to be used as shipkeepers. He made the announcement, however, that he had been holding up his sleeve 520 men who soon will be sent over the country to the naval militia organizations.

Asserting that he assumed full responsibility for the law creating a naval reserve, he explained that while not many had enlisted in this service, it had made the active service more at-FIRST-CLASS MAILS

Declares Vessels Passing **Through Territorial Waters** Liable to Search.

AN ASSERTION OF RIGHTS UNDER THE RULES OF WAR

Insists, However, There Will Be No Violation of The Hague Convention

LONDON, January 29, 6:15 p.m .- All the first-class mails passing between the United States and foreign countries on vessels that enter British territorial waters, even though such vessels to search by the British censor, it was stated by the chief postal censor in an interview with an Associated Press

representative today. The argument that ships passing through the English channel are forced into the British territoria waters by mine fields is met by the statement that such vessels pass through the channel by choice, since they can take the northern route if they wish, and thus it must be held that they voluntarily enter territorial

Merely Extension of Right.

It is held that all mails entering territorial waters pass under the jurisdiction of the British government, as if they were passing through the United Kingdom. Great Britain has long maintained the right to examine

long maintained the right to examine mails passing through the United Kingdom in transit, and the present examination is explained as simply an extension of that right.

The censor stated that thus far no first-class mails passing between the United States and Europe on vessels taking the northern route outside of the territorial waters of Great Britain have been molested.

In the case of the Swedish steamer Stockholm, which was forcibly detained, the first-class mails were sent on immediately without examination.

tained, the first-class mails were sent on immediately without examination, Whenever a ship has been detained on the high seas for the examination of her cargo or her parcels mail — the government maintaining that parcels mail does not come under The Hague convention relating to the inviolability of first-class mails—there has been no examination of the letter mail. Statement by Censor.

mails passed through territorial waters or were on the high seas. He maintained, however, that this article does

not prevent the opening of mail bags and the removal of such goods as jewelry or rubber, which were being sent as reading matter, and declared that there was no attitude on the part of the postal censor to allow mails passing to and from the United States more latitude than those from other countries. more latitude than those from other countries.

The reason those mails that have been taken from ships in the channel have not been censored more thoroughly, said the censor, was because of the inadequate staff and an indisposition to delay letter mails. He added, however, that because it was known that quantities of contraband were passing between Germany and America a more rigid censorship would be inaugurated. That Germany is exporting diamonds and other articles to America in first-class mails as letters is assumed by the censor, as it is also that many articles are likewise coming from the United States to Germany by way of Denmark, Holland and Sweden in the same way as from South America.

Asserts Right Under Rules of War. The British government takes the is its right under the rules of war, it was declared. Despite this, many mails passing through the channel have not been touched because of the desire on

the part of the censor not to delay innocent mails.

Contrary statements have been made, said the censor, that letter mails from the United States to England are delayed only from six to twelve hours by the censorship. Regarding the comthe censorship. Regarding the com-plaint in the latest United States note relative to delay of mails taken from various steamers, the censor declared that in no case was postal correspondence delayed more than four

GERMAN SUBMARINE

SEIZES DANISH SHIP LONDON, January 29 .- A Reuter dispatch from Copenhagen says the Danish steamer Vidar, bound from Copenhager for British ports with provisions, was seized today off Elsinore by a German

FINANCE COMMISSION TO SAIL. U. S. Representatives on Friendly

Mission to Central America. NEW ORLEANS, La., January 29 .-Arrangements were completed here today for the sailing from this port, Tuesday, of the six members of the inancial and commercial commission representatives of the interests which particiated in the Pan-American Financial Congress held in Washington last

May. The purpose of the trip is to return the visit of the Central American delethis country, and to develop closer commercial and friendly relations be-American republics. The members of the party, who carry

credentials from both Secretary Mccredentials from both Secretary McAdoo and Secretary Lansing, will leave
on the steamer Abangarez Tuesday,
going first to Havana and then to
Panama. They plan to return to this
country in April.

Five of the American representatives
attended the sessions of the national
foreign trade convention here this
week. The party will be composed of
Lamar C. Quintero. New Orleans; J. P.
Ripley and Ernest Ling, New York
city; John Clausen, San Francisco; T.
F. Walker, San Fernando, Cal., and
Roger W. Babson, Wellesly Hills,
Mass.

PLEAD GUILTY AND PAY FINES. Women Assessed \$100 Each for Il-

legally Selling Liquor. SEWARD, Alaska, January 29.-Tw eight women arrested on a charge of sell-ing liquor at Anchorage, the principal construction camp of the government railroad, pleaded guilty and were fined \$100